



State Environmental Commission



About the State Environmental Commission (SEC)

The SEC acts on regulatory "Petitions" proposed by the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP). These Petitions (i.e., proposed regulations) are initiated to further define existing state law (Nevada Revised Statutes) and or new laws enacted by the Nevada Legislature. Regulatory Petitions may address new or revised environmental standards, mandatory adoptions of certain federal regulations, approval of new expanded and/or reduced permitting fees, incorporation of federal required plans and other functions that are necessary for the proper execution of State laws.

The SEC hears and decides contested cases through appeals. Appeals typically address final decisions made by the Division of Environmental Protection regarding various enforcement actions and permits. The SEC can also ratify air pollution enforcement settlements and it may levy civil penalties in air pollution enforcement actions when no agreement has been reached with the Division of Environmental Protection.

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General Information

- ▶ [SEC Roster](#) (Two page – HTML file)
 - ▶ [SEC Overview](#) (Two pages – outlines adoption of regulations, SEC orders & hearings)
 - ▶ [SEC Regulatory Petitions](#) (One page – describes permanent, temporary & emergency regs.)
 - ▶ [SEC Appeal Hearings - Contested Cases](#) (Two Page synopsis of Appeal Process)
 - ▶ [Administrative Rulemaking Guide](#) (84 pages – Office of the Attorney General)
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SEC Procedural Authorities

Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS)

[Chapter 445b Air Pollution Controls](#)

[NRS 445B.200 - 245](#) (SEC creation, composition, chairman; quorum)

[NRS 445B.340 - 360](#) (Appeals to Commission: Notice of appeal)

[Chapter 445A Water Controls](#)

[NRS 445A.605](#) (Appeals to Commission: Appealable matters; action by Commission)

[NRS 445A.610](#) (Appeals to Commission: Hearings)

Nevada Administrative Code

[NAC 445B.878](#) (Practice Before The State Environmental Commission)

[NAC 444.847 – Variance](#) (Submission & Content of Application)

Other Procedural Requirements

Nevada Administrative Procedure Act

[NRS 233B](#) (Regulations & Contested Cases)

[NAC 233B.010](#) (Form of notice of adoption, amendment or repeal of regulation)

Nevada Open Meeting Law

[NRS 241](#) – (meetings, notices, copy of materials; other)

[Open Meeting Law Home Page](#) (Office of the Attorney General)

[Open Meeting Law Manual](#) (Adobe PDF File - 95 Pages)

[Open Meeting Law - Compliance Check List](#) (Adobe PDF File - 6 Pages)

Other SEC Documentation

 [SEC Records - Retention Schedule & Public Records](#) (*pending*)

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